



DELTA STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL
A California State Agency

980 NINTH STREET, SUITE 1500
SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA 95814
WWW.DELTACOUNCIL.CA.GOV
(916) 445-5511

Chair
Randy Fiorini

Date: June 16, 2014

To: Delta Stewardship Council Members

From: Jessica R. Pearson, Executive Officer

Subject: Upcoming Council Meeting on June 26, 2014

Members
Frank C. Damrell, Jr.
Gloria Gray
Phil Isenberg
Patrick Johnston
Larry Ruhstaller
Susan Tatayon

Executive Officer
Jessica R. Pearson

The upcoming one-day Council meeting will be held at the Park Tower Plaza, 980 Ninth Street, 2nd Floor, in Sacramento. The agenda and supporting materials are attached, and some additional handouts may be provided at the meeting.

Our focus this month will be on the road, rail, and levee networks that crisscross the Delta. Three discussion panels are devoted to these infrastructure systems. The first, dealing with the roads and rails, will assist the Council on integrating transportation issues into its levee investment prioritization study, allow it to offer additional consultation to Bay Delta Conservation Plan agencies on mitigating transportation impacts during the BDCP's implementation, and assist it in the promotion of better coordination of the transportation planning efforts in the Delta.

The second and third panels will feature representatives from the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and will explore recent USACE policy decisions and their implications for the Delta. The first will discuss a policy change by the federal government that seems to offer significant implications to emergency recovery response, flood risk management, and levee rehabilitation assistance in the Delta. The goal of the discussion is to better understand the policy and its implications for the Delta and how it relates to the Council's implementation of the Delta Plan. The second panel will review a recent USACE study on Delta levee flood risk and ecosystem restoration which evaluated federal interest in future levee and/or habitat projects in the Delta. The USACE panelist will discuss the results of this study and how the USACE intends to move forward.

June's meeting will be the first for our newest colleague, Council member Susan Tatayon. Ms. Tatayon was appointed to the Council last month by Governor Brown. Please join me in welcoming her to the Delta Stewardship Council.

As always, time for public comment on these agenda items, as well as any item of relevance to the Council, will be available. If I can answer any questions or provide any information, please contact me at (916) 445-4500 or jpearson@deltacouncil.ca.gov.

"Coequal goals" means the two goals of providing a more reliable water supply for California and protecting, restoring, and enhancing the Delta ecosystem. The coequal goals shall be achieved in a manner that protects and enhances the unique cultural, recreational, natural resource, and agricultural values of the Delta as an evolving place."

– CA Water Code §85054